

## HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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Wednesday, March 2, 2005

10:30 a.m.

307 House Office Building

Representative Brian Palmer, Chair, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Vander Veen, Wenke, Ball, Elsenheimer, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Lemmons, III, Virgil Smith, Kehrl and Clack.

Representative Hildenbrand moved to excuse absent members.

Representative Clack supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**MEMBER ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representative Gosselin.

Representative Hoogendyk moved to approve the minutes of the February 9<sup>th</sup> and February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 meetings.

Representative Clack supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**The Chair** laid **HJR C** before the committee.

**HJR C     Moolenaar**            Education; other; constitutional amendment to provide for gubernatorial appointment of superintendent of public instruction; provide for.

**Representative Moolenaar** testified in **support of HJR C**. Questions and discussion followed.

**John Austin and Nancy Danhof**, representing the **State Board of Education**, testified in **opposition to HJR C**. Questions and discussion followed.\*

**Joyce Phelps**, representing the **Michigan Education Association** and **Don Olendorf**, representing **Small and Rural Schools**, submitted a testimony card indicating **support of HJR C**, but did not wish to speak.

**Louise Somalski**, representing the **Michigan Federation of Teachers and School Related Personnel**, submitted a testimony card indicating **opposition to HJR C**, but did not wish to speak.

**Representative Palmer** offered the following **amendment to House Joint Resolution C**:

1. Amend page 2, line 9, after “instruction,” by striking out the balance of the line through “office” on line 10 and inserting a comma and **“WHO SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR”**.

Representative Meyer moved to adopt the amendment. Representative Lemmons III supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 18-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas:** Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Vander Veen, Wenke, Ball, Elsenheimer, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Lemmons III, Smith, Kehrl and Clack,

**Nays:** None,

**Pass:** None.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by Representative Hildenbrand, to report with recommendation HJR C as a substitute H-3.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 10-7-1.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas:** Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Elsenheimer, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos,

**Nays:** Representatives Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Lemmons III, Smith, Kehrl and Clack,

**Pass:** Representative Vander Veen.

**HJR C (H-3) reported with recommendation.**

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:05 p.m.

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Representative Brian Palmer, Chair

Dave Mead  
Acting Committee Clerk  
March 2, 2005  
1 hour 35 minutes

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Date Approved and Signed

\* indicates printed materials attached to original minutes.